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THEATRE PARTY A SPLENDID SUCCESS

Large Audience Enthusiastic Over "Broadway" And Moving Pictures Of Activities

It is a fitting and long-sought opportunity for the Editor to express at this time, the high regard that is felt by the members of our institution toward one of its Directors—Mr. Lester Udell. On this occasion, as Chairman of the Theatre Committee, Mr. Udell has exerted himself to the utmost in order to put this affair across. Would that many of our present leaders could but imbibe some of the splendid spirit of this ardent worker.

Attest the excellent performance at the Theatre Party on both Monday and Tuesday night. Attest the exhibition of moving pictures describing the activities of our center.

Another agreeable surprise of the evening was the splendid Theatre Party Journal, edited by our Executive Director, Mr. Abraham Bernstein, and made up under the direction of the Journal Committee, of which Mrs. Mose Goodman was chairman. The best tribute that could be paid to the efforts of those in charge of our Theatre Party was the repetition of the following conversation after each performance: "How did you enjoy yourself tonight? "Why, I had a really good time; the show was excellent and the pictures were certainly very interesting."

Let's hope that all our Theatre Parties in the future may be as well appreciated as the one just past.

This Sunday Evening
92nd Street Y. M. H. A.

vs.

Institutional Synagogue

In the I. S. Gym

*There Is a Big Demand for
Tickets*

**Get Your Reservations in
Early!**

RELIGIOUS NOTES

This Saturday Morning
RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN
Will Occupy the Pulpit

Friday Evening Circle at 8:15 P. M.

HOST: HEROD CLUB

Light Candles at 4:17 P. M.

I. S. BASKETEERS TO MEET 92nd ST. Y. M. H. A.

Ancient Rivals Meet This Sunday Night In Our Gymnasium

A fast and furious game, which is bound to give the basketball fan a thrill, will be played on our court, Sunday evening, December 26th.

The Institutional Synagogue will meet the 92nd Street Y.M.H.A. with practically the same team that represented us last year. A large demand has been made by the members for tickets for this contest. Our members will be served first. Reservations from outsiders will be taken care of in the order of receipt.

Dancing will precede and follow the game.
GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN EARLY

HEROD CLUB TO BE HOSTS AT FORUM TONIGHT

Kroy Wen Club Discusses "The Synagogue"

The Herod Club will be hosts at the regular Club Friday Evening Forum tonight. The topic that they have selected is "The Militant Jew." It is expected that the topic will prove to be of extraordinary interest, in view of the advanced physical education of modern Jewry.

The Kroy Wen ably discussed the topic, "The Synagogue." The speakers were Anna Itzkowitz, and Ruth Halpern. Rabbi Rubenstein of the Yeshiva, who was present as a guest, also addressed the forum in Yiddish.

Mr. Sylvan Saffer was chairman, as usual.

HEROD DEBATERS DEFEAT ATHIALS Discuss "Immigration Quota" Question

The Herod Club defeated the Athial Orators in the first tournament debate, held last Thursday evening, December 16th. The Herods had the affirmative side of the question, "Resolved That The Quota Method Of Restricting Immigration Into The United States Be Abolished."

The members of the winning debating team were:

- 1.—Julius Reiziss
- 2.—Harry Pomerantz
- 3.—Harry Rosensweig

SIGN UP IN A CLUB OR CLASS

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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION HOLDS
MONTHLY KAFFEE KLATCH

Annual Theatre Party on February 14th
Parents' Association Kaffee Klatch will take place on Tuesday evening, December 28th. Mrs. Wiener will be the chairlady. Bibles will be distributed also.

We wish to thank Mrs. Rosenbach, chairlady of the last Kaffee Klatch for the phenomenal success of the evening.

The annual theatre party of the Parents' Association will take place on February 14th, at the Lenox Theatre. Mrs. A. Wartels, is chairlady of the theatre party.

GIRLS JYM JAMS

Mae Gluck must be neglecting her boy friend because of the gym, Mae sacrifices everything, rather than miss a session with Miss Coryell.

Louise Edelson and Mae are co-workers. They wouldn't stay away from Gym for any Tom, Dick or Harry.

Things seem great with Goldye Moskowitz back. Better not miss any more gym workouts, Goldye, or your main purpose of reducing will only be a myth.

Gertrude Blickman is a good soul. Though swimming is torture to her, she still insists on singing Ave Maria.

AROUND AND ABOUT

Here we are back again, folks. Things have been happening so fast these days that it is necessary for our All-Around Reporter to collect his thoughts herewith.

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It was quite interesting to watch the expressions of our Directors last week, when their moving pictures were being taken for the big film. Their attempts to appear unconcerned as the camera clicked in front of them, were the subject of much witticism among their own members. At any rate, we never had a Board Meeting before as quick as the one that appeared on the screen.

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We note from the Center Bulletin of Union City, Jewish Community Center, that our President, Hon. Isaac Siegel, is to participate in the ceremonies and installation exercises for dedicating the new Y.M.H.A. on January 12, 1927. The community center movement is so widespread these days that we can hardly keep up with it. It is gratifying to note that the Congressman keeps up interest in general community center activities throughout the neighboring cities.

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Mr. Abraham Bernstein, our Executive Director, is to be highly commended for his splendid Theatre Party Journal. Although we knew of many other accomplishments, he deserves credit for mastering the art of the "Pen and Paste."

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Mrs. I. Stein was very much pleased with her initial appearance in Movieland. She was ably supported by a good cast of characters in the person of the members of the Parents' Association.

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Many queries directed to this column on the question of why the girls were jumping around so much in the showers as depicted in the moving pictures may be answered in the following manner: The steam from hot water disturbs the camera lens—it was therefore necessary for them to turn on ice-cold water. Think of one of our chilly nights very recently and imagine yourself under ice-cold showers, and then you have the answer.

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And still they go—but it doesn't seem so. By that we mean to say that our popular director, Dr. David Gluck, has moved from this immediate vicinity. However, he proves that his heart is still with us and continues to come around a few times a week. We certainly anticipate his continued co-operation.

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"Around And About" will be with you again for the rest of this season. Send in your quips; we will be glad to publish them.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR THE TALMUD TORAH!

HARMONY PALS AIM FOR GALA ENTERTAINMENT AT I. S. AUDITORIUM, JANUARY 29th

The Harmony Pals, forging rapidly to the fore of the Intermediate Division, wish to announce that their gala affair will be held on Saturday Evening, January 29th, in the auditorium, followed by a dance in the gymnasium.

All those who were present at the last affair of the Harmony Pals know that the quality of entertainment is incomparable, and we assure all those that attend, a most enjoyable evening.

LEADER'S CORPS DEFEATS BENNY LEONARD'S

Tournament Games Are Played Out

With a very exciting last half, the Leader's Corps managed to nose out the Benny Leonard Club by one point. A brilliant game was the verdict of the audience. Joie Leonard, the famous Benny's brother, played a marvelous game, caging the greater number of points for an individual. The final score was 28-27.

The Panther Club defeated the Lincoln club by the score of 17-13. The Panther club deserves a great deal of credit for the wonderful showing it made last Sunday in our gymnasium. This club was in the Junior Division last year and have just been advanced to an Intermediate standing this season.

During the weekly Social Hour held last Sunday afternoon, the Harlbron Club defeated the Sachem Club by the overwhelming score of 17-4. The Harlbron's great pass work was the feature of the game.

WOMEN'S BRANCH ORGANIZES BOSTON COLLEGIATES

On Monday evening, December 13th, at the Phillips Brooks House, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., a large and enthusiastic gathering laid the foundation for a Boston Chapter of the Collegiate Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

Representatives were present from the leading colleges in and around Boston. Simemon Guterman, of Harvard, was elected president, and Miss Fuhrman, of Boston University, treasurer. The rest of the officers are to be elected at the next meeting.

A gratifying percent of those present, enrolled as members. The invocation was pronounced by Rabbi Landau, of Boston.

Rabbie Leo Jung, of New York, gave a most inspiring talk on the subject, "What Is Orthodoxy?" which was very enthusiastically received. Miss Zelda Gross, of Jersey City, presided. The ladies of Temple Ashkenazi Sisterhood, an affiliated organization of the Women's Branch, under the direction of Mrs. S. W. Flax, of Cambridge, acted as hostesses on this occasion.

ALHOA CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL THEATRE PARTY

At Regent Theatre on January 12th

The Alhoa Girls announce their Annual Theatre Party at the Regent Theatre on January 12th. An excellent bill will appear and the best seats in the house have been reserved for this group of girls and their friends.

The Social and Educational Department, recently presented Mrs. Levy, who directed the club for several years as Miss Leibowitz, with a silver loving cup as a token of the Department's esteem.

SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT CLUB AND AUXILIARY MEETINGS

Symbols

S. M.....	Senior Male
I. S. M.....	Intermediate Senior Male
I. M.....	Intermediate Male
J. M.....	Junior Male
S. F.	Senior Female
I. S. F.....	Intermediate Senior Female
I. F.....	Intermediate Female
J. F.	Junior Female

MONDAY

Progressive Girls.....	J. F.
Merrymakers	J. F.
Junior Stars	J. F.
Anchorage	J. F.
Intermediate Council.....	I. M. and I. F.
Puellae Amica.....	J. F.
Ye-Wambas	J. F.
Symeeha	J. F.
Jolly Juniors	J. F.

TUESDAY

Alpha Phi	I. F.
Alhoa	I. F.
Harmony Pals	I. M.
Junior Dramatics	J. M. and J. F.
Brotherhood (Alt.).....	S. M.
Kroy Wen	I. F.
Harlbron	I. S. M.
Boy Scouts	J. M.
Parents' Ass'n.....	S. F.
Daughters (Alt.)	S. F.

WEDNESDAY

Piano Class	J. F.
Winona	I. F.
Junior Council	J. M. and J. F.
U. O. J. C. A.....	I. F.
Ho-Harts	I. F.
Sisterhood	S. F.

THURSDAY

Panthers	J. M.
Stars of Zion.....	J. M.
Junior League	S. M. and S. F.
Kardinals	J. M.
Orioles	J. M.

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SIGN UP FOR GYM AND POOL CLASSES!

THE JEW IN AMERICA

THE JEW AND AMERICAN IDEALS

The leaders of the colony were in their spiritual makeup simply a far flung branch of the House of Israel. Culturally they were Jews as much as non-Jews possibly can be. They absorbed in the fullest manner the spirit of the Jew as manifested in Biblical literature. Nor did they stop at the English rendition of the Bible. What they sought, was to decipher the original Hebrew so that they might still further master every available bit of Jewish learning. Francis Baylies in his "Historical Memoir of the Colony of New Plymouth" makes the assertion that all the clergy among the Pilgrim fathers were skilled critics in Hebrew. This perhaps might be overstating the point; but when one reads Bradford's pathetic delineation of his attempts to master Hebrew so that he might "learn in their own tongue how the patriarchs communed with God," we get a glimpse of this Hebraized Puritan mentality. Holland, the place of their temporary sojourn, contained large numbers of Jews who had come from Spain, and these Jews furnished the Pilgrim clerics with the knowledge of the original Biblical tongue.

It was the profoundest of contemporary Hebrew philosophers, Achad Haam, who remarked that not only did the Jewish people create the Bible but that the Bible created the Jewish people. What was true of Israel was true of the New England Fathers. Phone Bowling Green 8920

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The persistence of Israel in a hostile environment can be attributed to its faith that it is a separate minority, to the faith that Jehovah is with it and that it will inevitably be redeemed, to its self-discipline and austerity, to its strength of will, all characteristics which flow from its Biblical tradition. In the case of America, less stubborn breeds came, saw and were conquered by the inhospitable environment; among those that persisted the Puritans stood foremost. And they persisted precisely because of those characteristics engendered by their Biblical theology. Their disciplined minds, their obstinacy and strength of will, their sublime faith that Jehovah was with them, all these factors which were the fruits of their Hebraic culture made possible their ultimate triumph and insured the continuity of their settlements. Thanks to their Hebraic tenacity the foundations of New England were laid.

Their laws they copied from the Hebraic model. In this commonwealth there was, as Fiske writes, "the same ethical impulse which animates the glowing pages of Hebrew poets and prophets, and which has given to the history and literature of Israel their commanding influence in the world." The foreword of the 1658 revision of the Pilgrim Code reads that "it was the great privilege of Israel of old and soe was acknowledged by them, Nehemiah the 9th and 13. That God gave them right judgments and true Lawes, . . . and accordingly wee . . . can safely say . . . that wee have had an eye primarily and principally unto the aforesaid Platforme."

CLUB AND AUXILIARY LIST

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Fratres	I. S. M.
Aces	I. S. M.
Abraham Lincoln.....	I. S. M.
Parlex	I. S. M.
Sesame	I. M.
True Pals	I. S. M.
Brownie Pack	J. F.
Athial	I. S. M.
Crescents	I. S. M.

SUNDAY EVENING

Benny Leonard	S. M.
Herod	I. M.
Sachem	I. S. M.

SATURDAY EVENING

Young Lovers of Zion.....	S. M.
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